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TAGS: PFOR, NATO, ICRC, PARM

SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW IN ARMED CONFLICT.

PROPOSED NATO CONSULTATIONS

REFS: A. USNATO 3744 NOTAL

B. STATE 164771

C. USNATO 3696

1. POLADS ON JULY 15 APPROVED DRAFT REQUEST TO MILITARY COMMITTEE FOR STUDY ON CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS, WITH FOLLOWING MINOR CHANGES SUGGESTED BY UK: A. THE WORD "CONVENTIONAL" TO BE INSERTED BEFORE "WEAPONS" IN THE FOURTH LINE; B. THE WORD "REQUESTED" INSTEAD OF "INVITED" IN THE PENULTIMATE LINE. THIS DRAFT REQUEST FOR STUDY OF CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS IS SCHEDULED TO BE APPROVED BY NAC BY SILENCE PROCEDURE COB JULY 18.

2. FRG REP SAID HIS AUTHORITIES ARE PREPARED TO AGREE TO DRAFT MANDATE FOR MC STUDY ON CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WITHOUT INSISTING ON A SIMULTANEOUS REQUEST FOR AN MC STUDY ON ARTICLE 46(3). NOTING THAT SEVERAL DELEGATIONS HAD EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ABOUT DRAFT REQUEST FOR STUDY OF ARTICLE 46(3), FRG REP SAID BONN PLANNED TO SUGGEST A NEW DRAFT REQUEST  
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ON THIS SUBJECT WHICH HE WOULD CIRCULATE LATER. COMMENT:

US, UK, NETHERLANDS, AND FRANCE HAD, PRIOR TO JULY 15 POLADS MEETING, EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ABOUT TEXT OF DRAFT REQUEST FOR STUDY ON ARTICLE 46(3). END COMMENT.

3. ACTION REQUEST: WITH A VIEW TO POSSIBLE FURTHER DISCUSSIONS IN NATO OF ARTICLE 46(3), IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF DEPARTMENT SENT TEXT OF THIS ARTICLE TELEGRAPHICALLY TO MISSION AND TO USNMR SHAPE. WE ALSO RECOMMEND DEPARTMENT POUCH TO MISSION AND USNMR SHAPE FULL TEXT OF FIRST DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY PROTOCOL TO THE GENEVA CONVENTION OF 1949.  
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